

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A process for preparing (+)duloxetine, or an acid addition salt thereof, which process comprises:
 - (i) resolving racemic (\pm)duloxetine with a chiral acid so as to obtain a salt of the chiral acid and (+)duloxetine, substantially free of (-)duloxetine; and
 - (ii) if desired, converting the salt prepared in step (i) to the free base or a further acid addition salt.
2. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the chiral acid is selected from the group consisting of mandelic acid, tartaric acid, di-p-toluy l tartaric acid, dibenzoyl tartaric acid and camphor sulfonic acid.
3. (Original) A process according to claim 2, wherein the chiral acid is di-p-toluy l tartaric acid.
4. (Previously Presented) A process according to claim 1, wherein step (ii) comprises reacting a salt prepared in (i) with hydrochloric acid to yield (+)duloxetine hydrochloride.
5. (Original) A process for preparing (+)duloxetine hydrochloride, which process comprises:
 - (i) resolving racemic (\pm)duloxetine with di-p-toluy l tartaric acid so as to obtain (+)duloxetine di-p-toluy l tartrate, substantially free of (-)duloxetine; and
 - (ii) converting (+)duloxetine di-p-toluy l tartrate prepared in step (i) to (+)duloxetine hydrochloride.

6. (Previously Presented) A process which comprises:
- (i) resolving racemic (\pm)duloxetine with a chiral acid in a process according to claim 1, and obtaining a mother liquor enriched in (-)duloxetine;
 - (ii) converting (-)duloxetine obtained from step (i) to (\pm)duloxetine; and
 - (iii) if desired, employing (\pm)duloxetine obtained from step (ii) in a process according to claim 1.
- 7-17. (Canceled)
18. (Withdrawn) A salt of a chiral acid and (+)duloxetine, containing not more than 1% of (-)duloxetine obtained by a process according to claim 1.
19. (Withdrawn) A salt of a chiral acid and (+)duloxetine, substantially free of (-)duloxetine, selected from the group consisting of (+)duloxetine mandelate, (+)duloxetine tartrate, (+)duloxetine di-p-toluyyl tartrate, (+)duloxetine dibenzoyl tartrate and (+)duloxetine camphor sulfonate obtained by a process according to claim 1.
20. (Withdrawn) (+)duloxetine di-p-toluyyl tartrate, substantially free of (-)duloxetine, obtained by a process according to claim 1.
21. (Withdrawn) (+)duloxetine, or an acid addition salt thereof, obtained by a process according to claim 1.
22. (Withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition comprising (+)duloxetine, or an acid addition salt thereof, obtained by a process according to claim 1.